EXHIBIT 12

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA Richmond Division

GREGORY THOMAS BERRY, et al. on behalf of themselves and all others similarly situated

Plaintiffs,

Case No. 3:11cv754

v.

LEXISNEXIS RISK & INFORMATION ANALYTICS GROUP, INC., et al.,

Defendants

DECLARATION OF GEOFFREY P. MILLER

- I, GEOFFREY P. MILLER, declare:
- 1. I am over eighteen years of age, I am competent to make this declaration, and I have personal knowledge of the matters and facts recited herein.

Scope of Retention

2. I have been retained to review the facts and circumstances of this settlement with a view to analyzing the request for an award of attorneys' fees and expenses.

Qualifications

- 3. A copy of my resume is attached as Exhibit A. I am the Stuyvesant P. Comfort Professor of Law at the New York University Law School. I am a *magna cum laude* graduate of Princeton University and a 1978 graduate of the Columbia Law, where I was Editor-in-Chief of the Law Review. I served as a law clerk to the Honorable Carl McGowan of the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit and to the Honorable Byron R. White, Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court. I was an attorney-adviser at the Office of Legal Counsel in the United States Department of Justice from 1980-1982. After practicing civil litigation with a Washington D.C. law firm, I joined the faculty of the University of Chicago Law School in 1983, where I served as Kirkland & Ellis Professor and Associate Dean. I moved to New York University in 1995.
- 4. I am a co-founder, former co-president, and board member of the Society for Empirical Legal Studies, an organization of researchers in the fields of law, economics, sociology, psychology, business, and political science whose work examines the statistical impact of legal rules.

- 5. I am one of HeinOnline Law Journal Library's top-100 most cited authors all time.¹ A recent empirical study of scholarly influence lists me as one of America's top-50 most relevant law professors.² In 2011 I was inducted as a Fellow in the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.
- 6. I have written extensively on class action and shareholders derivative cases. In the course of that research I have examined more than a thousand class action and shareholders derivative settlements. My articles on class action law have been cited by state and federal courts across the United States.³

¹ See http://www.heinonline.org/HOL/MostCitedAuthors?collection=journals.

² John Yoo & James Cleith Phillips, The Cite Stuff: Inventing a Better Law Faculty Relevance Measure, UC Berkeley Public Law Research Paper No. 2140944 (September 3, 2012), available at http://papers.srn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=2140944.

³ Forsythe v. ESC Fund Management Co. (U.S.), Inc., 2013 WL 458373 (Del. Ch. 2013); In re Processed Egg Products Antitrust Litigation, 2012 WL 2885924 (E.D.Pa. 2012); Louisiana Municipal Police Employees' Retirement System v. Pyott,--- A.3d ----, 2012 WL 2087205 (Del.Ch. 2012); Forsythe v. ESC Fund Management Co., 2012 WL 1655538 (Del.Ch. 2012); Creative Montessori Learning Centers v. Ashford Gear LLC, 662 F.3d 913, (7th Cir. 2011); In re Sauer-Danfoss Inc. Shareholders Litigation, 2011 WL 2519210 (Del.Ch. 2011); Thorogood v. Sears, Roebuck and Co., 627 F.3d 289 (7th Cir. 2010); Ehrheart v. Verizon Wireless, 609 F.3d 590 (3rd Cir. 2010); In re Revlon. Inc. Shareholders Litigation, 990 A.2d 940 (Del.Ch. 2010); Lubin v. Farmers Group, Inc., 2009 WL 3682602 (Tex.App. 2009); Westgate Ford Truck Sales, Inc. v. Ford Motor Co., 2007 WL 2269471 (Ohio App. 2007); Acosta v. Trans Union, LLC, 243 F.R.D. 377 (C.D.Cal. 2007); Amalgamated Bank v. Yost, 2005 WL 226117 (E.D.Pa. 2005); Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors of Cybergenics Corp. ex rel. Cybergenics Corp. v. Chinery, 330 F.3d 548 (3rd Cir. 2003); Fruchter v. Florida Progress Corp., 2002 WL 1558220, (Fl. App. 2002); In re Microstrategy, Inc., 172 F.Supp.2d 778 (E.D.Va. 2001); In re Cendant Corp. Litigation, 264 F.3d 201 (3rd Cir. 2001); Scardelletti v. Debarr, 265 F.3d 195 (4th Cir. 2001); In re Auction Houses Antitrust Litigation, 197 F.R.D. 71 (S.D.N.Y. 2000); Lealao v. Beneficial California, Inc., 82 Cal.App.4th 19, 97 Cal.Rptr.2d 797 (2000); AUSA Life Ins. Co. v. Ernst and Young, 206 F.3d 202 (2nd Cir. 2000); Davis v. Carl Cannon Chevrolet-Olds, Inc., 182 F.3d 792 (11th Cir. 1999); In re Baan Co. Securities Litigation, 186 F.R.D. 214 D.D.C. 1999); In re Quantum Health Resources, Inc., 962 F.Supp. 1254 (C.D. Cal. 1999); Strong v. BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., 173 F.R.D. 167 (W.D.La. 1997); Howard v. Globe Life Ins. Co., 973 F.Supp. 1412 (N.D.Fla. 1996); Kamilewicz v. Bank of Boston Corp., 100 F.3d 1348 (7th Cir. 1996); In re Asbestos Litigation, 90 F.3d 963 (5th Cir. 1996); General Motors Corp. v. Bloyed, 916 S.W.2d 949 (Tex. 1996); Brundidge v. Glendale Federal Bank, F.S.B., 168 Ill.2d 235, 659 N.E.2d 909, 213 Ill.Dec. 563 (1995); In re Thirteen Appeals Arising Out of San Juan Dupont Plaza Hotel Fire Litigation, 56 F.3d 295 (1st Cir. 1995); In re General Motors Corp. Pick-Up Truck Fuel Tank Products Liability Litigation, 55 F.3d 768 (3rd Cir. 1995); BTZ, Inc. v. Great Northern Nekoosa Corp., 47 F.3d 463 (1st. Cir. 1995); Bell Atlantic Corp. v. Bolger, 2 F.3d 1304 (3rd Cir. 1993); In re Oracle Securities Litigation, 829 F.Supp. 1176 (N.D. Ca. 1993); Gottlieb v. Wiles, 150 F.R.D. 174 (D.Colo. 1993); Durr v. Intercounty Title Co. of Illinois, 826 F.Supp. 259 (N.D.Ill. 1993); and inc. v. ALN Associates. Inc., 807 F.Supp. 465 (N.D.III. 1992); Wesley v. General Motors Acceptance Corp., 1992 WL 57948 (N.D.Ill, 1992); In re Verifone Securities Litigation, 784 F.Supp. 1471 (N.D.Cal, 1992); Davis v. Coopers & Lybrand, 1991 WL 154460 (N.D.Ill. 1991).

7. A particular area of focus has been the empirical analysis of counsel fees in representative cases. My statistical studies on class action and shareholders derivative cases (co-authored with Professor Theodore Eisenberg of Cornell University) are a leading authority on that topic.⁴

⁴ See Richardson v. L'Oreal USA, Inc., --- F.Supp.2d ----, 2013 WL 5941486 (D.D.C.,2013); Swift v. Direct Buy, Inc., 2013 WL 5770633 (N.D.Ind. 2013); Singleton v. Domino's Pizza, LLC, --- F.Supp.2d ----, 2013 WL 5506027 (D.Md. 2013); In re Schering-Plough Corp. Enhance Securities Litigation, 2013 WL 5505744 (D.N.J. 2013); In re Vioxx Products Liability Litigation, 2013 WL 5295707 (E.D.La. 2013); Evans v. TIN, Inc., 2013 WL 4501061 (E.D.La. 2013) ("The data sets in the empirical study conducted by Professors Eisenberg and Miller are commonly used by district courts in this circuit"); Silverman v. Motorola Solutions, Inc., --- Fed. Appx, ----, 2013 WL 4082893 (7th Cir. 2013); City of Pontiac General Employees' Retirement System v. Lockheed Martin Corp.. --- F.Supp.2d ---, 2013 WL 3796658 (S.D.N.Y. 2013); Gortat v. Capala Bros., --- F.Supp.2d ----, 2013 WL 2566622 (E.D.N.Y. 2013); In re Southeastern Milk Antitrust Litigation, 2013 WL 2155387 (E.D.Tenn. 2013); Strawn v. Farmers Ins. Co. of Oregon, 353 Or. 210, 297 P.3d 439 (Or. 2013); Heekin v. Anthem, Inc., 2012 WL 5878032 (S.D.Ind. 2012); Espenscheid v. DirectSat USA, LLC, 688 F.3d 872, 877 (7th Cir. 2012); In re Trans Union Corp. Privacy Litig., 629 F.3d 741, 744 (7th Cir. 2011); Allapattah Servs., Inc. v. Exxon Corp., 362 F.3d 739, 760 (11th Cir. 2004) (Judges Tjoflat and Birch, dissenting from denial of en banc review); Strawn v. Farmers Ins. Co. of Oregon, 353 Or. 210, 297 P.3d 439 (2013); In re Amaranth Natural Gas Commodities Litig., No. 07-6377, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 82599, at *7 n.12 (S.D.N.Y. June 11, 2012); Board of Trustees of AFTRA Ret. Fund v. JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., No. 09-686, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 79418, at *5 n.12 (S.D.N.Y. June 7, 2012); Lane v. Page, No. 06-1071, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 74273, at *161 (D.N.M. May 22, 2012); Silverman v. Motorola, Inc., No. 07-4507, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 63477, at *15 (N.D. Ill. May 7, 2012); In re Heartland Payment Sys., Inc. Customer Data Sec. Breach Litig., MDL No. 09-2046, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 37326, at *94, *116 (S.D. Tex. Mar. 20, 2012) ("The tables included in the [Eisenberg and Miller] study are good indicators of what the market would pay for class counsel's services because the tables show what attorneys have been paid in similar cases, and thus what class counsel could have expected when they decided to invest their resources in this case."); Walsh v. Popular, Inc., No. 09-1552, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 32991, at *24 (D.P.R. Mar. 12, 2012); Am. Int'l Group, Inc. v. Ace Ina Holdings, Inc., No. 07-2898, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 25265, at *59 (N.D. Ill. Feb. 28, 2012); Ebbert v. Nassau County, 05-5445, 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 150080, at *41 (E.D.N.Y. Dec. 22, 2011); In re Checking Account Overdraft Litig., 830 F. Supp. 2d 1330, 1336 n.4 (S.D. Fla. 2011); Latorraca v. Centennial Techs., Inc., No. 97-10304, 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 135435, at *11 (D. Mass, Nov. 22, 2011); In re Ky. Grilled Chicken Coupon Mktg. & Sales Litig., 2011 WL 5599129 (N.D. Ill. Nov. 16, 2011); Pavlik v. FDIC, No. 10-816, 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 126016, at *11 (N.D. III. Nov. 1, 2011); In re Puerto Rican Cabotage Antitrust Litig., 815 F. Supp. 2d 448, 461 (D.P.R. 2011); In re AT & T Mobility Wireless Data Servs. Sales Tax Litig., 792 F. Supp. 2d 1028, 1033 (N.D. Ill. 2011); In re Vioxx Prods. Liab. Litig., 760 F. Supp. 2d 640, 652 (E.D. La. 2010); Velez v. Novartis Pharms Corp., 04-09194, 2010 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 125945, at *60-61 (S.D.N.Y. Nov. 30, 2010); Braud v. Transport Serv. Co. of Illinois, No. 05-1898, 2010 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 93433, at *27-30 (E.D. La. Aug. 17, 2010); In re Lawnmower Engine Horsepower Mktg. & Sales Prac. Litig., 733 F. Supp. 2d 997, 1013 (E.D. Wis. 2010); Klein v. O'Neal, Inc., 705 F. Supp. 2d 632, 675 (N.D. Tex. 2010); Fiala v. Metro. Life Ins. Co., 899 N.Y.S.2d 531, 541 (N.Y. Sup. Ct. 2010); In re Metlife Demutualization Litig., 689 F. Supp. 2d 297, 359 (E.D.N.Y. 2010); In re Marsh Erisa Litig., 265 F.R.D. 128, 149 (S.D.N.Y. 2010); Strawn v. Farmers Ins. Co., 226 P.3d 86, 99 (Or. Ct. App. 2010); Hall v. Children's Place Retail Stores, Inc., 669 F. Supp. 2d 399, 403 n.35 (S.D.N.Y. 2009); In re Trans Union Corp. Privacy Litig., No. 00-4729, 2009 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 116934, at *22-25, *39 (N.D. III. Dec. 9, 2009); Loudermilk Serv., Inc. v. Marathon Petroleum Co. LLC, 623 F. Supp. 2d 713, 724 (S.D. W.Va. 2009) ("Because the Eisenberg and Miller study was a far more comprehensive analysis of similar cases than this Court could hope to achieve in a reasonable time, the Court accepts their results as a benchmark on which to judge a reasonable fee in this case."): Rodriguez v. West Publ'g Co., 563 F.3d 948, 958 (9th Cir. 2009); In re OCA, Inc. Sec. and Deriv. Litig., No. 05-2165, 2009 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 19210, at *63-66 (E.D. La. Mar. 2, 2009); In re Enron Corp. Secs., Deriv. & ERISA Litig., 586 F. Supp. 2d 732, 800 (S.D. Tex. 2008); In re Cardinal Health Inc. Sec. Litig., 528 F. Supp. 2d 752, 755 n.2 (S.D. Ohio 2007); In re Tyco Int'l., Ltd. Multidistrict Litig., 535 F.

- 8. Based upon my education, experience and peer-reviewed writings, I believe I am qualified to opine on the comparability and reasonableness of Class Counsel's hours, billing rates, and overall fee request.
- 9. I am being compensated for my services in this matter on an hourly basis at my usual billing rate.

Materials Reviewed

10. In developing my opinions in this matter I have discussed this case with Class Counsel and have reviewed the materials listed in Appendix B of this Declaration.

Summary of Opinion

11. My opinion is that Class Counsel's request for an award of attorneys' fees and expenses is within the range of reason when judged against results in similar cases.

The Litigation

12. The complaint in this lawsuit alleged that Defendants LexisNexis Risk & Analytics Group, Inc., Seisint, Inc., and Reed Elsevier Inc. ("Defendants") violate rights of putative class members protected under the Fair Credit Reporting Act ("FCRA"), 15 U.S.C. §§1681 et seq. Specifically, the complaint charged that Defendants violated the FCRA by selling certain reports to debt collectors without treating those reports as required for "consumer reports" under the statute. In this and two related cases, plaintiffs' counsel conducted informal and/or formal

Supp. 2d 249, 269 (D.N.H. 2007); Acosta v. Trans Union, LLC, 243 F.R.D. 377, 388 (C.D. Cal. 2007); Turner v. Murphy Oil USA, Inc., 472 F. Supp. 2d 830, 853, 862-64, 866, 870 (E.D. La. 2007) ("[T]he Court will look to Eisenberg and Miller's data sets to determine an average percentage for cases of similar magnitude"); Silberblatt v. Morgan Stanley, 524 F. Supp. 2d 425, 435 n.6 (S.D.N.Y. 2007); Fireside Bank v. Superior Court, 155 P.3d 268, 281 n.7 (Cal. 2007); In re Cabletron Sys., Inc. Sec. Litig., 239 F.R.D. 30, 38, 42 (D.N.H. 2006); Allapattah Servs., Inc. v. Exxon Corp., 454 F. Supp. 2d 1185, 1209, 1211 (S.D. Fla. 2006); In re Educ. Testing Serv. Praxis Principles of Learning and Teaching Grades 7-12 Litig., 447 F. Supp. 2d 612, 629-32 (E.D. La. 2006); Hicks v. Morgan Stanley, No. 01-10071, 2005 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 24890, at *25 (S.D.N.Y. Oct. 24, 2005); In re Lupron Mktg. and Sales Prac. Litig., 01-10861, 2005 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 17456, at *18 (D. Mass. Aug. 17, 2005); In re HPL Techs., Inc. Sec. Litig., 366 F.Supp.2d 912, 914 (N.D. Cal. 2005); In re Relafen Antitrust Litig., 231 F.R.D. 52, 80-81 (D. Mass. 2005); In re Relafen Antitrust Litig., 221 F.R.D. 260, 286 (D. Mass. 2004).

discovery, deposed witnesses, served or responded to written discovery demands, and reviewed thousands of pages of documents. The cases had an unusually contentious and extended mediation history, extending back as far as 2009 and including nine in-person meetings between plaintiffs' counsel and Defendants or their counsel, held in numerous different cities.

- 13. Once the general outlines of a settlement were hammered out, the parties again participated in several in-person meetings in order to further define the settlement and to outline a workable plan for injunctive relief. The parties presented a detailed analysis of their settlement agreement to Judge Lauck at a settlement conference in January 2013.
- 14. For purposes of my analysis, it is important to note that the parties did not discuss, much less resolve, the issue of attorneys' fees until after they reached agreement on all essential terms of the settlement.

The Settlement

- 15. The parties have structured this settlement in a helpful way by defining two settlement classes and two forms of relief:
- (a) The most far-reaching aspect of this settlement and the feature that will have the greatest impact going forward if the settlement is approved is structured as a (b)(2) injunctive relief class. The injunctive relief called for in this settlement has been termed a "sea change" in practices in the debt collection industry. As described in the declaration of Professor Neil M. Richards, on which I rely, the injunctive relief portions of this settlement could benefit any consumer in the United States whose credit transactions are affected by the changes in business practices agreed to by the Defendants.
- (b) The other aspect of the settlement is a (b)(3) monetary recovery class encompassing approximately 31,000 consumers who contacted LexisNexis seeking treatment for Accurint®

reports similar to the treatment accorded to credit reports under the FCRA. This settlement would create a fund of \$13.5 million to be shared pro rata by class members with valid claims (after deduction of attorneys' fees and expenses). Defendants also agree to bear the costs of notice and settlement administration with respect to this part of the settlement.

(c) The proposed settlement also contains provisions regarding attorneys' fees and expenses and service awards to the named plaintiffs. As noted above, these provisions were negotiated only after the parties had agreed on all substantial aspects of the merits relief for both classes. As regards the injunctive class, Defendants agreed to pay the entire amount of fees and expenses – over and above the injunctive relief provided to the class – in an amount up to \$5.5 million. As regards the class action settlement, the settlement agreement provides that Defendants will not object to a fee and expense request for up to 30% of the settlement fund. Plaintiffs' counsel, however, seeks only 25% of the fund.

Opinion

16. I am aware that approval of a class action settlement is a matter reserved for the Court and that an expert's role is necessarily limited. I believe, however, that my knowledge of class action litigation equips me to provide a perspective that may be of assistance in the Court's deliberations.

Preliminary Considerations

- 17. Several considerations help inform my conclusion that the fee requested by counsel in this action is within the range of reason.
- 18. First, the materials I have reviewed indicate that Class Counsel fought to achieve the maximum possible value for the class:

- (a) This case has an extended and complex history, reflecting assiduous and unceasing efforts by counsel to obtain a beneficial settlement for the class. Two earlier cases filed by counsel raised similar issues to the present case and required counsel to investigate the facts and law pertinent to the case at hand. Some lawyers would have given up when neither of these cases resulted in a class-wide settlement. Class counsel, to their credit, persevered and filed the instant case, which has resulted in the comprehensive settlement now before this Court.
- (b) The proposed settlement is the result of vigorous and adversarial negotiation. Class counsel did not jump on the first chance to settle the case, or even the second or the third; nine separate in-person settlement meetings several of them facilitated by an expert mediator were required to hammer out even the basics of this agreement, and several more were required to finalize the detailed text.
- 19. Although I am not here offering an opinion on the fairness and adequacy of the settlement, it is apparent that Class counsel has achieved a notable result for the class.
- (a) The \$13.5 million cash component of the settlement, available to about 31,000 class members, is obviously a substantial recovery. This is not a consumer settlement in which class members obtain relief worth only a few dollars. If all class members take advantage of the pecuniary benefit made available under this settlement, each class member will receive about \$450 gross and something around \$300 net. Moreover, because the settlement provides that class members will receive pro rata shares, if some class members do not claim their entitlement, others will receive even more. In no event will any of the \$13.5 million revert back to Defendants.
- (b) The injunctive features of this settlement are more extensive still in fact far more extensive. The documents I have reviewed reveal that the bulk of counsel's efforts, both on the

plaintiff side and the defense side, were devoted to the injunctive component of this settlement, and for good reason. As described in Professor Richards' declaration, millions of consumers can benefit from Defendants' promises to comprehensively reform their business practices, in what is essentially a fundamental reform to an important part of the debt collection industry in the United States. While the value of the injunctive relief cannot readily be calculated, it is clearly substantial.

The Injunctive Class

- 20. I now consider the \$5.5 million fee and expense award, including \$5,333,188.21 in fees and \$166,811.79 in expenses requested for the injunctive class.
- 21. Initially, it should be noted that none of this \$5.5 million will be paid by the class. If this settlement is approved, the full amount of the requested fees and expenses will be covered by the Defendants. The requested attorneys' fee neither reduces the recovery available to the class if the requested fee is approved, nor would a reduction in the fee result in any increase in class recovery.
- 22. Also noteworthy is the fact that the parties commendably observed the "best practice" of deferring negotiations over fees and expenses until after they had achieved an agreement on the material terms of the merits settlement. This practice supports the reasonableness of the fee request for the following reasons:
- (a) The practice eliminated any possibility of a tradeoff of a lower merits settlement for a higher fee. No such tradeoff was possible because the agreement on the merits preceded the discussion of fees and expenses.
- (b) The separation of fees and merits introduced the protections of the adversary system into the setting of the fee. Given that the merits relief had already been determined, Defendants

had every reason to bargain aggressively in order to minimize the cost of its agreement to pay Class counsel's fees and expenses. The fact that the party whose money was on the line agreed to Class counsel's request for fees and expenses is powerful evidence as to the reasonableness of the amounts requested.

- 23. Turning now to the question of the appropriate fee, an initial question is the proper methodology to use in evaluating the reasonableness of Class Counsel's fee request. Courts in the United States employ either of two principal methodologies to calculate a reasonable fee in representative litigation:
- (a) The percentage-of-recovery method calculates the fee as a reasonable fraction of the amount recovered in the action. The percentage-of-recovery method is commonly used when the value of the recovery can be estimated with reasonable confidence.
- (b) The alternative lodestar method calculates the fee based on an evaluation of Class Counsel's reasonable hours and reasonable hourly rate; this amount (the "lodestar") is then adjusted by a "multiplier" which accounts for other factors, most importantly the risk incurred by counsel in bringing the case. The lodestar approach is commonly used when the value of the recovery cannot be estimated with sufficient confidence; it is also employed as a "cross-check" on the reasonableness of the fee calculated under the percentage method.
- 24. As noted above and more specifically in the Declaration of Neil Richards, the relief obtained by Class Counsel's efforts has significant value. It is difficult, however, to estimate that value with precision because of the fact that the relief obtained is injunctive rather than pecuniary in nature. In light of these uncertainties, it is more instructive to calculate the fee for the injunctive component of this settlement based on the lodestar analysis.⁵

⁵ Objector Adam Schulman argues that the fee request for the injunctive component of this settlement is excessive because, in his view, the value of the relief obtained does not justify the fee. Schulman Objection p. 32. Mr.

Lodestar Analysis

25. The lodestar analysis requires an assessment of (a) class counsel's reasonable hours; (b) class counsel's reasonable hourly rate; and (c) the reasonable multiplier to apply under the facts and circumstances of the case.

Hours

- 26. I am informed that Class Counsel expended a total of 6,811.8 hours in conducting this litigation, including partner time, other attorneys' time, and law clerk, paralegal, senior analyst time, and other professional support staff time. Class Counsel's lodestar for this work is \$3,349,379.95.
- 27. I have not attempted to audit the reasonableness of these hours. Based on my review of more than a thousand class action settlements, however, I see no "yellow flags" that would give reason to question class counsel's calculation of their hours or their attestation in this Court as to the amount of time incurred. This was a major piece of litigation, extending over several years of intensive litigation and settlement negotiations, and resulting in a substantial monetary recovery for a portion of the class and comprehensive injunctive reforms which will provide benefits in the future for a far larger group. The 6,811.8 total hours incurred by counsel appears reasonable under the circumstances.
- 28. However, in addition to evaluating the total hours incurred in this litigation as a whole, it is also necessary to estimate that portion of the hours which was devoted to the injunctive component of this litigation as opposed to the damages component. Counsel, for obvious reasons, did not separately record hours for the different parts of the case. The case was

Schulman's argument is misplaced. Because the value of the injunctive relief cannot be quantified, it is not feasible to use a percentage-of-recovery methodology to determine the fee, as Mr. Schulman suggests the Court should do. The lodestar method is the appropriate methodology. As discussed in this report, the requested fee is within the range of reason when evaluated under the lodestar approach.

litigated as a unified whole. Indeed, it only became clear that the case would settle in separate damages and injunctive classes once settlement negotiations were well underway. Without this source of information for separating out the hours, it is necessary to rely on other information. For the reasons set forth below, I estimate that 80% of counsel's time should be allocated to the injunctive portion of the case and 20% of counsel's time should be allocated to the damages portion. My reasons are as follows:

- (a) Counsel, who are best situated to know how this case was litigated, estimate that approximately four-fifths of their efforts was devoted to pursuing the injunctive relief and one-fifth was devoted to the damages component.
- (b) This estimate is consistent with my assessment of the magnitude of the relief obtained: as compared with the damages component, the injunctive relief, which represents a "sea change" in Defendant's business practices, is of much greater importance to class members in the aggregate, and of much greater concern to the Defendants.
- (c) For obvious reasons, class counsels' demand for injunctive relief involving as it did the restructuring of a firm's core business practices was significantly more complicated to design and negotiate than damages relief which required only that the parties address limited questions such as the total amount of damages and whether the damages would be allocated pro rata in order to allocate unclaimed funds.
- (d) A review of litigation documents confirms that counsel for both parties treated the claim for injunctive relief as the "center of gravity" of this litigation. For example, Defendants' mediation statement dated July 18, 2012 focused nearly entirely on the injunctive component of a possible settlement; essentially no attention was given to the issue of pecuniary relief. Likewise, the settlement conference held before Magistrate Judge Lauck on January 14, 2013

focused principally on the challenges the parties were facing in designing and agreeing to the injunctive relief, with much less attention paid to the damages component.

Hourly Rates

- 29. I now turn to an evaluation of the appropriate hourly rates. These are determined, under the lodestar analysis, by comparing counsel's rates with those of attorneys in the market who possess similar background, experience and qualifications. Among other topics, my research in this area focuses on staffing and billing practices in representative litigation.⁶
- 30. As is normal and expected, senior attorneys with substantial experience and track records of success in class action litigation billed at the highest rates. Michael Caddell, lead counsel of Caddell & Chapman in Houston, Texas, and with 34 years of experience in complex and class litigation, billed at \$875 per hour, and his partner, Cynthia Chapman, billed at \$675 per hour. Co-lead counsel, Jim Francis of Francis and Mailman billed at \$525 per hour, and Len Bennett of Consumer Litigation Assosciates, also co-lead counsel, billed at \$575 per hour. Less senior lawyers—who performed a significant amount of the work in this matter—billed at rates ranging from \$325 to \$450 per hour.
- 31. A variety of sources of information are available to evaluate the reasonableness of these rates. In federal bankruptcy litigation, rates for representation can sometimes be obtained from a review of public case filings. The following table, compiled from publicly available sources, illustrates typical billing rates of defense-side firms as reported in bankruptcy cases:

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⁶ For a recent opinion relying on my research into staffing and billing practices in representative litigation, *see Stratton v. XTO Energy Inc.*, No. 02-10-00483-CV, 2012 Tex. App. LEXIS 1089, at *3-4, *14-15 (Tex. App. Feb. 9, 2012).

Table 1: Bankruptcy Fees

Case Name	Defense Firm	Citation	Non- Partner Attorneys' Fee Range	Partners' Fee Range
In re Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publ'g Co., et al., Debtors, No. 12- 12171 (REG)	Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP	(Bankr. S.D.N.Y.) (May 2012) (Dkt. No. 55)	\$425 - \$760	\$895 - \$1,120
In re Lightsquared Inc., Debtors, No. 12-12080 (SCC)	Milbank, Tweed, Hadley & McCloy LLP	(Bankr. S.D.N.Y.) (July 2012) (Dkt. No. 206)	\$470 - \$750	\$950 - \$1,140
In re Eastman Kodak Co., Debtors, No. 12-10202 (ALG)	Milbank, Tweed, Hadley & McCloy LLP	(Bankr. S.D.N.Y.) (June 2012) (Dkt. No. 1492)	\$470 - \$795	\$825 - \$1,140
In re 785 Partners LLC, Debtor, No. 11-13702 (SMB)	Proskauer Rose LLP	(Bankr. S.D.N.Y.) (May 2012) (Dkt. No. 189)	\$295 - \$700	\$779 - \$1,050
In re Dynegy Holdings, LLC, et al., Debtors, No. 11-38111 (CGM)	Sidley Austin LLP	(Bank. S.D.N.Y.) (Apr. 2012) (Dkt. No. 578)	\$340 - \$950	\$625 - \$1,050
In re Ambac Fin. Group, Inc., Debtor, No. 10- 15973 (SCC)	Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz	(Bankr. S.D.N.Y.) (Nov. 2011) (Dkt. No. 701)	\$500 - \$600	\$975
In re Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co., Inc., et al., Debtors, No. 10-24549 (RDD)	Kirkland & Ellis LLP	(Bankr. S.D.N.Y.) (May 2011) (Dkt. No. 1566)	\$340 - \$995	\$580 - \$995
In re CIT Group Inc. and CIT Group Funding Co. of Delaware LLC, Debtors, No. 09-16565 (ALG)	Sullivan & Cromwell, LLP	(Bankr. S.D.N.Y.) (Jan. 2010) (Dkt. No. 229)	\$305 - \$950	\$850 - \$965

32. The results of these cases are confirmed by survey data. According to a December 2009 report in *American Lawyer*, ⁷ the rates for senior bankruptcy lawyers had already topped \$1,000 per hour four years ago, with median partner rates ranging between \$810 and \$980/hour:

⁷ Amy Kolz, Bankruptcy Rates Top \$1,000 Mark In 2008-09, The Am. Law Daily (Dec. 12, 2009), available at http://www.law.com/jsp/law/LawArticleFriendly.jsp?id=1202436371636 (last visited Nov. 28, 2012).

Table 2: Bankruptcy Fee Survey Data

FIRM	MEDIAN PARTNER RATE*	PARTNERS FILING
Simpson Thacher	\$980	30
Cleary Gottlieb	\$960	47
Shearman & Sterl	,	17
Davis Polk	\$948	14
Skadden	\$945	38
Paul Weiss	\$925	24
Cadwalader	\$900	29
Milbank	\$900	55
Gotshal	\$843	142
Gibson Dunn	\$840	29
Latham & Watkin	s \$830	57
White & Case	\$825	21
Paul Hastings	\$810	46

33. On the plaintiffs' side, comparable billing rates can be gleaned from a review of reported settlements. These data are shown in the following table:

Table 3: Plaintiffs' Attorney Billing Rates

Case Name	Plaintiff Firm	Citation	Non- Partner Attorneys' Fee Range	Partners' Fee Range
In re Bear Stearns Companies, Inc. Securities, Derivative and ERISA Litig., No. 08-cv-2793 (RWS)	Labaton Sucharow LLP	(S.D.N.Y.) (Aug. 2012) (Dkt. No. 302-5)	\$275 - \$700	\$725 - \$975
In re Wachovia Equity Securities Litigation, No. 08 Civ. 6171 (RJS)	Kirby McInerney LLP	(S.D.N.Y.) (Apr. 2012) (Dkt. No. 106-5)	\$280 - \$625	\$600 - \$800
In re Lehman Brothers Securities and Erisa Litigation, No. 1:08-cv- 05523 (LAK)(GWG)	Bernstein Litowitz & Grossman LLP	(S.D.N.Y) (Mar. 2012) (Dkt. No. 343-12)	\$310 - \$675	\$650 - \$975
In re Lehman Brothers Securities and Erisa Litigation, No. 1:08-cv- 05523 (LAK)(GWG)	Labaton Sucharow	(S.D.N.Y) (Mar. 2012) (Dkt. No. 343-17)	\$275 - \$650	\$750 - \$975
Rubin v. MF Global, Ltd., et al., No. 08 Civ. 2233 (VM)	Cohen Milstein Sellers & Toll PLLC	(S.D.N.Y.) (Nov. 2011) (Dkt. No. 198)	\$230 - \$615	\$700 - \$795
In re Wachovia Preferred Sec. and Bond/Notes Litigation, No. 09 Civ. 6351 (RJS)	Bernstein Litowitz Berger & Grossman LLP	(S.D.N.Y.) (Oct. 2011) (Dkt. No. 148-7)	\$340 - \$675	\$650 - \$975
In re Wachovia Preferred Sec. and Bond/Notes Litigation, No. 09 Civ. 6351 (RJS)	Robbins Geller Rudman & Dowd LLP	(S.D.N.Y.) (Oct. 2011) (Dkt. No. 148-9)	\$265 - \$640	\$565 - \$775
Cornwell et al. v. Credit Suisse Group et al., No. 08 Civ. 03758 (VM)	Robbins Geller Rudman & Dowd LLP	(S.D.N.Y.) (July 2011) (Dkt. No. 117)	\$360 - \$670	\$565 - \$795
Lapin v. Goldman Sachs & Co., No. 04 Civ. 2236 (RJS)	Kirby McInerney LLP	(S.D.N.Y.) (Nov. 2010) (Dkt No. 129)	\$275 - \$600	\$600 - \$900
In re MBIA, Inc., Sec. Litigation, No. 08 Civ. 0264 (KMK)	Bernstein Litowitz Berger & Grossman LLP	(S.D.N.Y.) (Dec. 2011) (Dkt. No. 92)	\$375 - \$675	\$700 - \$975
In re Refco, Inc. Securities Litigation, No. 05 Civ. 08626 (JSR)	Grant & Eisenhofer P.A.	(S.D.N.Y.) (Sept. 2010) (Dkt. No. 738-5)	\$250 - \$620	\$650 - \$845

Case Name	Plaintiff Firm	Citation	Non- Partner Attorneys' Fee Range	Partners' Fee Range
Stumpf v. Garvey, et al. (In re Tycom Ltd. Sec. Litigation.), No. 03 Civ. 03540 (GEB)	Wolf Popper LLP	(D.N.J.) (Aug. 2010) (Dkt. No. 145)	\$345 - \$485	\$620 - \$750
In re Merrill Lynch & Co. Inc., Securities, Derivatives and ERISA Litigation, No. 07-cv-09633 (LBS)(AJP)(DFE)	Kaplan Fox & Kilsheimer LLP	(S.D.N.Y.) (Jun. 2009) (Dkt. No. 246-4)	\$255 - \$500	\$550 - \$775
In re Merrill Lynch & Co. Inc., Securities, Derivatives and ERISA Litigation, No. 07-cv-09633(LBS)(AJP)(DFE)	Berger & Montague, P.C.	(S.D.N.Y.) (Jun. 2009) (Dkt. No. 246-6)	\$295 - \$440	\$460 - \$725
In re Merrill Lynch & Co. Inc., Securities, Derivatives and ERISA Litigation, No. 07-cv- 09633(LBS)(AJP)(DFE)	Pomerantz Haudek Grossman & Gross LLP	(S.D.N.Y.) (Jun. 2009) (Dkt. No. 246-7)	\$385 - \$550	\$525 - \$830
In re Merrill Lynch & Co. Inc., Securities, Derivatives and ERISA Litigation, No. 07-cv- 09633(LBS)(AJP)(DFE)	Murray, Frank Sailer LLP	(S.D.N.Y.) (Jun. 2009) (Dkt. No. 246-8)	\$350 - \$550	\$675 - \$750
In re Telik, Inc. Securities Litigation, No. 07 Civ. 04819 (CM)	Bernstein Liebhard & Lifshitz, LLP	(S.D.N.Y.) (Aug. 2008) (Dkt. No. 72)	\$350 - \$550	\$700 - \$750

34. In light of these data, it is my opinion that the rates contained in Class Counsel's lodestar calculation are appropriate and reasonable.

Multiplier

35. I now turn to an evaluation of an appropriate multiplier. Class Counsel estimates their lodestar to be \$3,349,379.95. Applying a 20% discount to remove the portion of counsel's

efforts that were devoted to the damages component of this settlement generates a lodestar for the injunctive component alone equal to \$2,679,503.96. The multiplier associated with the fee request of \$5,333,188.21 is 1.99 (this will undoubtedly decrease given the work that will be required to complete this matter, including appeals). The question is whether this multiplier is appropriate under the circumstances.

36. To begin with, it is obvious that a multiplier is required if counsel are to have adequate incentives to bring litigation of this sort. Otherwise the substantial risks associated with cases such as the present litigation would deter counsel from bringing lawsuits in the first place. Realistically, the question is not whether a multiplier should be awarded but rather what the multiplier should be.

37. A review of decided cases reveals that multipliers of 2 or greater are often awarded in representative litigation. The following table sets forth a list of cases where courts have awarded multipliers of 2 or greater:

Table 4: Sample of Cases with Multipliers Greater than Two

Case	Multiplier
Steinver v. Am. Broadcasting Co., Inc., 248 F. App'x 780, 783 (9th Cir. 2007)	6.85
Craft v. County of San Bernardino, 624 F. Supp. 2d 1113, 1125 (C.D. Cal. 2008)	5.2
Buccellato v. AT&T Operations, Inc., No. C10-00463-LHK, 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 85699, at *3-5 (N.D. Cal. June 30, 2011)	4.3
Maley v. Del Global Techs. Corp., 186 F. Supp. 2d 358, 369 (S.D.N.Y. 2002)	4.65
In re Interpublic Secs., No. Civ. 6527 (DLC), 2004 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 21429, at	3.96

Case	Multiplier
*34 (S.D.N.Y. Oct. 26, 2004)	
In re Bisys Sec. Litig., No. 04 Civ. 3840 (JSR), 2007 WL 2049726, at *3 (S.D.N.Y. July 16, 2007)	2.99
In re Comverse Tech., Inc., Sec. Litig., 2010 WL 2653354, at *5 (E.D.N.Y. June 24 2010)	2.8
Cornwell v. Credit Suisse Group., No. 08 Civ. 03758 (VM), slip op. at 4 (S.D.N.Y. July 18, 2011)	4.7
Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. v. Visa USA, Inc., 396 F.3d 96, 123 (2d Cir. 2005)	3.5
Weiss v. Mercedes-Benz of N. Am., Inc., 899 F. Supp. 1297 (D.N.J. May 11, 1995), aff'd, 1995 U.S. App. LEXIS (3d Cir. 1995)	9.3
<u>Perera v. Chiron Corp.,</u> Civ. No. 95-20725-SW (N.D. Cal. 1999)	9.14
Cosgrove v. Sullivan, 759 F. Supp. 166 (S.D.N.Y. 1991)	8.84
In re Buspirone Antitrust Litig., No. 01-md-1413 (JGK) (S.D.N.Y. Apr. 17, 2003)	8.46
Newman v. Carabiner Int'l, Inc., 99-cv-2271 (S.D.N.Y. Oct 19, 2001)	7.7
In re 3COM Sec. Litig., No. C-97-21083 (N.D. Cal. Mar. 9, 2001)	6.67
In re Triangle Indus. Sec. Litig., [1991-1992 Transfer Binder] Fed. Sec. L. Rep. (CCH) ¶ 96,528 (Del Ch. 1991)	6.6
In re RJR Nabisco, Inc. Sec. Litig., [1992 Transfer Binder] Fed. Sec. L. Rep. (CCH) ¶ 96,984 at 94,267 (S.D.N.Y. 1992)	6.0

Case	Multiplier
Roberts v. Texaco, 979 F. Supp. 185 (S.D.N.Y. 1997)	5.5
<u>Lemmer v. Golden Books</u> , 98 Civ. 5748 (S.D.N.Y. Oct. 12, 1999)	5.38
Feerer v. Amoco Prod. Co., Civ. No. 95-0012 JC/WWD, 1998 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 22248 (D.N.M. May 28, 1998)	4-5
Willson v. New York Life. Ins. Co., No. 94-127804, 1995 N.Y. Misc. LEXIS 652 (N.Y. Sup. Ct. Feb 1, 1996)	4.6
Rabin v. Concord Assets Group, Inc., No. 89 CIV 6130 (LBS), 1991 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 18273, [1991-92 Transfer Binder] Fed. Sec. L. Rep. (CCH) ¶ 96,471 (S.D.N.Y. 1991)	4.4
In re Rite-Aid Corp. Sec. Litig. ("Rite Aid II"), 269 F. Supp. 2d 603 (E.D. Pa. 2003)	4.07
In re NASDAQ MktMakers Antitrust Litig., 187 F.R.D. 465 (S.D.N.Y. 1998)	3.97
In re AremisSoft Corp. Sec. Litig., 210 F.R.D. 109 (D.N.J. 2002)	4.3
In re WorldCom, Inc. Sec. Litig., 388 F. Supp. 2d 319 (S.D.N.Y. 2005)	4.0
In re Enron Corp. Sec., Deriv., & ERISA Litig., 586 F. Supp. 2d 732 (S.D. Tex 2008)	5.2

38. The foregoing cases reflect a more general recognition that multipliers greater than two are often appropriate. *See, e.g., Dutchak v. Cent. States*, 932 F.2d 591, 596 (9th Cir. 1991) (multiplier of 2); *In re NASDAQ Market-Makers Antitrust Litig.*, 187 F.R.D. 465, 489 (S.D.N.Y. 1998) ("multipliers of between 3 and 4.5 have become common"); *Schulte v. Fifth Third Bank*,

- 805 F. Supp. 2d 560, 598 (N.D. III. 2011) (approving multiplier of greater than 2); *In re EVCI Career Colleges Holding Corp. Sec. Litig.*, No. 05 Civ. 10240 (CM), 2007 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 57918, at *56 n.7 (S.D.N.Y. 2007) ("multipliers of nearly 5 have been deemed 'common' by courts in this District"); *In re Telik, Inc., Sec. Litig.*, 576 F. Supp. 2d 570, 590 (S.D.N.Y. 2008) ("multiples of over 4 are routinely awarded by courts, including this Court"); *In re Cenco Inc. Sec. Litig.*, 519 F. Supp. 322, 327 (N.D. III 1981) (approving multipliers of up to 4).
- 39. Facts and circumstances of the present case supporting a lodestar multiplier of 2 or greater include the following:
- (a) This case posed substantial risk, including risks of establishing that Defendants' reports were in fact subject to the FCRA and risks that a case this large and this far-reaching would not be certified. The risks assumed by counsel who brought this case on a purely contingent basis is evidenced by the two previous efforts to obtain class action relief for Defendants' allegedly illegal behavior: both of the earlier cases had to be resolved on an individual basis.
- (b) As noted above, counsel expended substantial time and labor in litigating this action. While this factor contributes to the calculation of the basic lodestar figure, some courts view it, in addition, as a consideration that bears on the reasonableness of the requested lodestar multiplier.
- (c) The size and complexity of the case counsels in favor of a substantial multiplier. In terms of the number of class members, this case was potentially one of the largest class actions ever brought in the United States: at issue were more than 100 million reports containing consumer information which Defendants allegedly sold to debt collectors during the class period.
- (d) Attorneys for the class are some of the most experienced FRCA class action lawyers in the United States. My review of the case documents indicates that counsel litigated this case with an impressive level of skill, sophistication, and tenacity. I have reviewed the objection of Megan Christina Aaron, which challenges class counsel's adequacy based on a misreading of the Ninth

Circuit's opinion in *Radcliffe v. Experian Info. Solutions Inc.*, 715 F.3d 1157 (9th Cir. 2013). I am familiar with that case because I provided an expert report in connection with the motion to appoint substitute lead counsel. Class counsel there made an error in interpreting legal rules; but the error was not one which reflected adversely on counsel's ability to provide adequate representation to class members in other cases. Indeed, I was prepared to testify in the *Radcliffe* action that counsel should be among the attorneys appointed to represent the class on remand from the Ninth Circuit. Nothing in *Radcliffe* gives me cause for concern about counsel's ability to provide vigorous, diligent, and unconflicted representation to all class members in the present litigation.

- (e) Although the value of the injunctive relief obtained in this settlement cannot easily be quantified, the changes proposed for Defendants' business practices indicate that the requested fee is small in relation to the benefits conferred. Although I have not been retained to estimate the value of the injunctive aspects of this settlement, I note that the Second Declaration of Professor Neil M. Richards highlights the substantial benefits which the business practice changes effected by this settlement could confer on class members and the public at large.
- (f) The injunctive relief obtained in this settlement offers clear public policy benefits for millions of consumers whose personal information might be included in Defendants' reports going forward.
- 40. For the reasons set forth above, therefore, it is my opinion that a multiplier of 1.99 is within the range of reason and appropriate under the circumstances of this case.

The Damages Class

- 41. I turn now to an evaluation of the fee requested for the damages class. Counsel is here requesting 25% of the fund in fees and expenses combined.⁸ It is my opinion that this request is within the range of reason and in fact below the norm for comparable cases.
- 42. A fee award of 25% is consistent with the results of several studies that provide information about fee awards as percentages of the recovery in class action cases.
- 43. For example, a large-scale study on fees is found in the March-April 2003 edition of *Class Action Reports* (CAR), which contains data on cases extending back to 1974. Table 5 reports the CAR data broken down by type of case:

⁸ The settlement agreement contains a "clear sailing" agreement under which Defendants agree not to object to a request to up to 30% of the fund. Although Defendants do not have a pecuniary interest in the common fund fee, the agreement is evidence of the parties' views as to what a reasonable fee would be.

Table 5: Fee-Award Percent Summary by Case Category

Category	Mean	Median	Std. Dev.	Number
Antitrust	26.8	28.4	7.1	31
Consumer	24.3	25.0	8.5	48
Civil rights	23.5	25.5	11.0	4
Derivative	33.3	33.3		1
Employment	25.5	25.7	7.6	17
Environmental	30.5	30.5	7.8	2
Government regulation	29.7	29.7		1
Labor/wage/pension	22.9	26.4	10.6	30
Mass tort	17.6	17.0	6.9	8
Securities	27.9	30.0	7.4	483
Taxpayer	3.5	3.5		1
Utilities	20.3	20.3	1.7	2
Social welfare/entitlements	16.9	16.9	4.4	2
Total	27.0	30.0	7.9	630

Sources: Theodore Eisenberg & Geoffrey P. Miller, Attorney Fees in Class Action Settlements: An Empirical Study, 1 *Journal of Empirical Legal Studies* (2003), analyzing data from Stuart J. Logan, Jack Moshman & Beverly C. Moore, Jr., Attorney Fee Awards in Common Fund Class Actions, 24 *Class Action Rep.* 169 (2003).

- 45. Table 5 discloses that the median fee across the range of cases in the study was 30.0%, and that the median fee award in consumer cases was 25%. The requested percentage fee of 25% is clearly reasonable in light of this study.
- 45. More recent empirical studies confirm that attorney's fees have not decreased since the time the foregoing studies were conducted. For example, in a study of fees in settled securities fraud litigation, Eisenberg, Miller and Perino found that the mean and median fees in securities cases decided across all circuits in the years prior to 2000 was 27.63% and 30%, while the mean and median award in the years 2000-2007 was 26.06% and 26.94% results consistent

with the fee requested in the present case. *See* Theodore Eisenberg, Geoffrey Miller & Michael Perino, Empirical Research on Decision-Making in the Federal Courts: A New Look at Judicial Impact: Attorneys' Fees in Securities Class Actions After *Goldberger v. Integrated Resources*, *Inc.*, 29 Washington University Journal of Law & Policy 5-35 (2009).

- 46. The requested fee is also consistent with the results of Eisenberg and Miller's study of fees in all published class action settlements between 1993 and 2008. Theodore Eisenberg and Geoffrey Miller, Attorneys' Fees and Expenses in Class Action Settlements: 1993-2008, 7 Journal of Empirical Legal Studies 248 (2010). These authors find that the average fee in consumer class actions across the entire data set was 25%. The requested fee of 25% of the class recovery is entirely consistent with this data.
- 47. The reasonableness of the requested fee is confirmed by a recent study by Professor Brian Fitzpatrick of Vanderbilt University of all federal class action settlements in 2006-2007. Fitzpatrick finds that the mean attorneys' fee for consumer class action cases across the data set was 23.5% of the class recovery and the median fee was 24.6% of the recovery. Brian Fitzpatrick, An Empirical Study of Class Action Settlements and Their Fee Awards, 7 Journal of Empirical Legal Studies 811 (2010). The requested award of 25% of the class recovery is clearly within the range of reason when judged against Fitzpatrick's study.
- 48. In short, the extensive empirical research on attorneys' fees on common fund cases overwhelmingly supports the reasonableness of the requested fee of 25% of the \$13.5 million common fund. That fact, together with other factors mentioned above the outstanding results achieved; the high levels of energy, diligence and skill displayed by counsel; the social utility of this litigation; the risk of the litigation, and other considerations makes it abundantly clear that

the fee requested for the common fund component of this case is entirely reasonable and appropriate.

Conclusion

- 49. For the reasons set forth above, it is my opinion that:
- (a) The requested fee award of \$ \$5,333,188.21 in the (b)(2) settlement, to be paid by the defendant rather than the class, is within the range of reason when judged against awards in similar cases;
- (b) The requested award of 25% of the \$13.5 million common fund in the (b)(3) settlement for fees and expenses combined is within the range of reason when judged against awards in similar cases.

Dated this 22nd day of November, 2013:

Geoffrey P. Miller

Appendix A: Resume

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Work Experience

New York University Law School (1995-present)

Stuyvesant P. Comfort Professor of Law

Director, NYU Center for the Study of Central Banks and Financial Institutions (1994-present)

Co-Director, NYU Center for Law, Economics and Organization (2006-present)

Co-Founder and Co-President, Society for Empirical Legal Studies (2006-2007)

Chair, Academic Personnel Committee (1999-2000; 2004-2006)

Chair, Promotions and Tenure Committee (2007-2009)

University of Chicago Law School (1983-1995)

Kirkland & Ellis Professor (1989-1995)

Editor, Journal of Legal Studies (1989-1995)

Director, Program in Law and Economics (1994-1995)

Director, Legal Theory Workshop (1989-1993)

Associate Dean (1987-1989)

Professor of Law (1987-1989)

Assistant Professor of Law (1983-1987)

Distinguished Visiting Professor, Vanderbilt Law School 2014 (invited)

Visiting Professor, University of Frankfurt 2013 (invited)

Faculty Member, Study Center Gerzensee, Switzerland, Spring 2012

Visiting Lecturer, University of Genoa Department of Law, 2011

Visiting Lecturer, Collegio Carlo Alberto (Moncalieri Italy), 2011, 2013 (invited)

Visiting Scholar, European University Institute, Florence Italy, Fall/Winter 2010

Visiting Chair on Private Actors and Globalisation, Hague Institute for the Internationalisation of Law, Fall/Winter 2010

Robert B. and Candace J. Haas Visiting Professor of Law, Harvard Law School, Fall 2009

Max Schmidheiny Guest Professor, University of St. Gallen, Switzerland Summer 2009

Faculty Member, NYU-NUS in Singapore, 2009, 2011 (invited)

Fresco Endowed Professor of Law, University of Genoa, Italy, Summer 2008, Spring 2009, Summer 2010

Visiting Scholar, University of Minnesota Law School, Spring 2008

Visiting Lecturer, University of Bolzano, Italy, Summer 2007

Commerzbank Visiting Professor, Institute for Law & Finance, University of Frankfurt, Germany, Summer 2004, Summer 2005, Summer 2010

Visiting Professor, Columbia Law School, Fall 2001

Visiting Professor, University of Sydney, Australia, Summer 2002; Summer 2006; Spring 2009

Zaeslin Visiting Professor, University of Basel, Switzerland, Summer 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013 (invited)

Visiting Scholar, CentER for Economic Research, Tilburg, Holland, Summer 1996

John M. Olin Visiting Scholar, Cornell University Law School, Summer 1992,

Spring 1996; Winter 1997, Summer 2005, Spring 2008, Spring 2009, Spring 2010

Visiting Scholar, Bank of Japan, Spring 1995

Visiting Professor, New York University Law School, Fall 1994

Consultant, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, 1992-1994

Visiting Scholar, New York University Law School, Fall 1993

Simpson Grierson Butler White Visiting Professor, University of Aukland, New Zealand, Summer 1993

Associate, Ennis, Friedman, Bersoff & Ewing Washington, D.C. (1982-83)

Attorney Adviser, Office of Legal Counsel U.S. Department of Justice (1980-82)

Clerk, Hon. Byron R. White Supreme Court of the United States (1979-80)

Clerk, Hon. Carl McGowan U.S. Court of Appeals, District of Columbia (1978-79)

Corporate Service

Member of the Board of Directors, State Farm Bank (2010) – board and committee service for nontraditional thrift institution with \$15 billion in assets.

Education

Columbia Law School, J.D. (1978) Editor-in-Chief, Columbia Law Review (1977-78) Princeton University, A.B. *magna cum laude* (1973)

Publications

Books

The Law of Governance, Risk Management and Compliance (Wolters Kluwer Law and Business, forthcoming 2014)

The Governance of International Banking (co-authored with Fabrizio Cafaggi, with Tiago Andreotti, Maciej Borowicz, Agnieszka Janczuk, Eugenia Macchiavello and Paolo Saguato) (Edward Elgar 2013)

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Banking Law and Regulation: Statutory and Case Supplement (Little, Brown & Co. 1992; Second Edition, Aspen Law & Business, 1997) (with Jonathan R. Macey), Third Edition, Aspen Law & Business, 2000) (with Jonathan R. Macey and Richard Scott Carnell); Fourth Edition, Aspen Law & Business 2008 (with Richard Scott Carnell and Jonathan Macey)

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Finlawmetrics 2010: Central Banking, Regulation & Supervision after the Financial Crisis (cosponsor and member of steering committee)

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NYU Global Economic Policy Forum (April 14, 2009). Major conference on economic policy. Keynote address by Jean Claude Trichet, President of the European Central Bank; presentations by Tevi Troy, Deputy Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services; Kevin Warsh, Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; and Donald B. Marron, Jr., Senior Economic Advisor, President's Council of Economic Advisors. Co-organized with Professor Alan Rechtschaffen.

Second Annual Conference on Empirical Legal Studies (New York, New York, November 10-11, 2007). Major conference (425 participants) exploring all aspects of the empirical study of law. Co-organized with Jennifer Arlen, Bernard Black, Theodore Eisenberg and Michael Heise.

NYU Global Economic Policy Forum (April 11, 2007). Major conference on economic policy. Keynote address by Ben S. Bernanke, Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; presentations by Stanley Druckenmiller, Founder of Dusquesne Capital, Tevi Troy, Domestic Policy Advisor for President George W. Bush, and Jeffrey Rosen, Vice Chair of Lazard. Co-organized with Professor Alan Rechtschaffen.

First Annual Conference on Empirical Legal Studies (Austin, Texas, October 2006). Major conference exploring all aspects of the empirical study of law. Co-organized with Jennifer Arlen, Bernard Black, Theodore Eisenberg and Michael Heise.

Conference on Legal Aspects of the International Activities of Central Banks, Lima Peru, October 1997. This conference, co-sponsored by the central bank of Peru, brought together leaders in the legal and economic issues facing central banks in the management of their external reserves.

Conference on the Governance of Institutional Investors (New York, New York, February 14, 1997). This conference, sponsored by the NYU Stern School of Business Salomon Center in association with the New York University Law School Center for the Study of Central Banks, brought together top executives, attorneys, scholars and others interested in the management and organization, both economic and legal, of the nation's large institutional investors, including its mutual fund industry.

Conference on Bank Mergers and Acquisitions (New York, New York, October 11, 1996). This conference, sponsored by the NYU Stern School of Business Salomon Center in association with the New York University Law School's Center for the Study of Central Banks, brought together leading academics, lawyers, and investment bankers to discuss some of the broader implications of bank mergers and acquisitions. Co-organizer of this conference was Professor Yakov Amihud of the Stern School's Finance Department.

Conference in Central Banks in Latin America (Bogota, Colombia, February, 1996). This conference, co-sponsored by the central bank of Colombia with technical assistance from the Legal Affairs Department of the International Monetary Fund, brought together leaders of Latin American central banks, the international financial community, and scholars from a variety of disciplines, to discuss issues related to the independence of central banks and economic development.

Conference on Central Banks in Asia (Shanghai, China, October, 1995). This conference, cosponsored with KPMG-Peat Marwick, brought together leaders from commercial banks, investment banks, and industrial firms, as well as central bankers, to discuss Asian central banks to address issues such as the proposed law granting a degree of independence to the central bank of China.

Conference on Ancient Law (Berkeley, California, March 1995). This conference, organized with Professors James Lindgren of Chicago-Kent Law School and Laurent Mayali of the

University of California at Berkeley Law School, brought together important figures from a variety of disciplines interested in Ancient Law.

Conference on Central Banks in Eastern Europe and the Newly Independent States (Chicago, Illinois, April 1994). This conference brought together the Prime Minister of Estonia, three present or former Ministers of Finance of Eastern European states (including Boris Fyoderov, former Finance Minister of the Russian Republic), the heads of the central banks of eleven nations in Eastern Europe and the Newly Independent States, together with a wide variety of highly-placed officials from these countries and from the west, to discuss issues related to the independence of central banks and economic development.

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New York State Bar

District of Columbia Bar

American Bar Association

American Law Institute (1988-1996)

Member, Paolo Baffi Centre Scientific Advisory Board, Milan, Italy (2008- present)

Member, International Academic Council, University of St. Gallen,

Switzerland (2004-present)

Chairman, Section on Business Associations, American Association of Law Schools (1995)

Member of the Board of Directors, American Law and Economics Association (1995-1998)

Member of the Foreign Advisory Committee, Latin American Law and Economics Association (1995-2000)

Member of the Foreign Advisory Board, Universitad Tocurato Di Tella School of Law, Buenos Aires, Argentina (1992-1999)

Member of the Editorial Board, Supreme Court Economic Review

Member of the Editorial Board, The Independent Review

Member of the Advisory Board, Yearbook of International Financial and Economic Law

Member of the Advisory Board, University of Hong Kong Faculty of Law Asian Institute of International Financial Law (2001-present)

Member of the Advisory Board, LSN Comparative Law Abstracts

Courses

Legal Profession (1985-93; 1996-98; 2003-2007; 2013 (scheduled))

The Crisis of 2008 (2009, 2010)

Reading Class: Restructuring Finance (2009)

Property (1986-87)

Corporations (1985-88; 1991-93; 1997-2000; 2005; 2008; 2012)

Seminar on Separation of Powers (1985, 1987)

Civil Procedure (1983-84; 2004-2005; 2011; 2013)

Federal Regulation of Banking (1983, 1989-93; 1995-97; 2003, 2006-2010; 2012)

Law and Business of Banking (2012; with Gerald Rosenfeld)

Land Development (1984-85)

Securities Law (1990-91)

Workshop in Legal Theory (1989-91)

Seminar on Financial Institutions (1992-93 (with Merton Miller); 1996-97)

Ethics in Class Action Practice (Continuing Legal Education Seminar 2002-2005)

Law and Economics (University of Basel, Switzerland 2005, 2007, 2008; 2009; 2010; 2011; 2012)

Advanced Seminar on Law and Economics (University of Genoa, Italy 2008)

Banking and the Financial Crisis (University of Genoa, Italy 2009)

Trust, Risk, and Moral Hazard in Financial Markets (University of Genoa, Italy, 2010)

International Banking (University of Sydney, Australia, 2002, 2006)

Introduction to Banking Law (University of Basel, Switzerland 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2009, 2010; 2011; 2012

Banking in the Theory of Finance (University of Frankfurt, Germany 2004, 2005)

Banking Regulation in Crisis (University of Frankfurt, Germany, 2010)

Banking: Law and Economics Issues after the Financial Crisis (Study Center Gerzensee, 2012)

Litigation and Alternative Dispute Resolution

Brief and Reply Brief for Plaintiff-Appellant, <u>Glancy v. Taubman Centers, Inc</u>. No. 03-1609 (6th Cir. 2003).

Amicus Brief for American Bankers Association, et al., <u>In Re: Visa Check/Mastermoney Antitrust Litigation</u>, 280 F.3d 124 (2d Cir. 2001) (of counsel)

Briefed and argued Moran v. Household Finance Corp. (the "Poison Pill" case) in the Supreme Court of Delaware (1985)

Briefed cases in the U.S. Supreme Court, U.S. Court of Appeals, U.S. District Courts, and state trial and appellate courts. Conducted depositions and other pretrial discovery. (1982-1983)

Briefed and argued <u>Hodges v. Metts</u>, 676 F.2d 1133 (6th Cir. 1982), on behalf of the United States.

Conducted trial of <u>American Psychological Association v. Birch Tree Press, et al.</u> (U.S. District Court, Washington, D.C. 1983).

<u>Deposit Insurance for Thailand</u>. Prepared a draft deposit insurance law for Thailand, at the request of the International Monetary Fund (1999)

Schatz v. Blanchard. Neutral arbitrator in a commercial arbitration (2000)

Expert Witness Testimony (past five years)

EM Ltd. and NML Capital, Ltd. v. The Republic of Argentina and Banco de La Nación Argentina, No. 08 Civ 7974 (TPG), United States District Court for the Southern District of New York (declaration and responsive declaration on whether a state-owned financial institution is an alter-ego of the government) (2009); second supplemental declaration (2010)

Tucker v. Scrushy, et al., Nos. CIV-02-5212, CV 03-3522, CV 03-2023, CV 03-2420, CV 98-6592, Circuit Court of Jefferson County, Alabama, 2008 (affidavit on fees) (2009)

<u>In Re: 2007 Wildfire Class Litigation</u>, Master Case No. 2008-00093086, Superior Court of California, County of San Diego (2009) (affidavit and deposition on certification)

In re: Columbia Hospital for Women Medical Center, Inc., Case No. 09-00010 (Teel, J.), United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Columbia (declaration on fees) (2009)

<u>In re Vioxx Products Liability Litigation</u>, Civil Action No. 2:05-MD-01657-EEF-DEK, United States District Court, Eastern District of Louisiana (affidavit on fee-capping order) (2009)

State of Missouri v. SBC Communications, Inc., No. No. 044-02645, Circuit Court of the City of St. Louis, Missouri (2009) (affidavit on fees)

Alexander v. Nationwide Mutual Insurance Co., No. CV-2009-120-3, Circuit Court of Miller County, Arkansas (2009) (affidavit on fees)

Peterman v. North American Company for Life and Health Insurance, Case No. BC357194, Superior Court of the State of California, County of Los Angeles (2009) (declaration on fees)

<u>Holman v. Student Loan Xpress, Inc.</u>, Case No. 8:08-cv-00305-SDM-MAP (Middle District of Florida, Tampa Division) (2009) (declaration on fees)

Board of Trustees of the AFTRA Retirement Fund v. JPMorgan Chase, No. 09-00686 (Southern District of New York) (2010) (declaration on class certification)

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In re MoneyGram International, Inc. Securities Litigation, No. 08-883 (DSD/JJG), United States District Court, District of Minnesota (2010) (declaration on fees)

Board of Trustees of the AFTRA Retirement Fund v. JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., No. 09-cv-00686 (SAS) (DF), United States District Court for the Southern District of New York (2010) (declaration and deposition on certification)

- <u>Coffey v. Freeport-McMoran Copper & Gold, Inc.</u>, No. CJ-2008-68, District Court of Kay County, State of Oklahoma (2010) (affidavit on certification)
- In Re Puerto Rican Cabotage Antitrust Litigation MDL Docket No. 3:08-md-1960 (DRD), United States District Court for the District of Puerto Rico (2010) (declaration on fees)
- In re XTO Energy Shareholder Class Action Litigation, No. 352-242403-09, District Court of Tarrant County, Texas, 352nd Judicial District (2010) (affidavit on fees)
- The Board of Trustees of the Southern California IBEW-NECA Defined Contribution Plan v. Bank of New York Mellon, Civil Action No. 09-Cv-06273, Southern District of New York (2011) (declaration on certification)
- <u>Iorio v. Asset Marketing Systems, Inc.</u>, Case No.: 05-CV-0633-JLS (CAB), Southern District of California (2011) (declaration in fees)
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- In re Checking Account Overdraft Litigation, Case No.: 1:09-MD-02036-JLK, United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida (2012) (Bank of America case; declaration and supplemental declaration on fees)
- In re Checking Account Overdraft Litigation, Case No.: 1:09-MD-02036-JLK, United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida (2012) (Bank of Oklahoma case; declaration on fairness of settlement and fees)
- In re Cell Therapeutics Inc. Securities Litigation, Master Docket No. C10-414 MJP, United States District Court for the Western District of Washington (2012) (declaration on fees)
- In Re: Oil Spill by the Oil Rig "Deepwater Horizon" in the Gulf of Mexico, on April 20, 2010, MDL NO. 2179, Eastern District of Louisiana (2012) (declarations on economic and medical benefits class settlements)

<u>Freudenberg v. eTrade Financial Corporation</u>, Case No.: 07-CV-8538, United States District Court for the Southern District of New York (2012) (declaration on fees)

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White v. Experian Information Solutions, Inc., Case No. 05-cv-1070 DOC, Central District of California (2013) (declaration on fees)

Other Activities

Member, Board of Directors, American Law and Economics Association (1996-1999)

Member, Board of Advisors, The Independent Review (1996-present)

Member, Board of Advisors, Asian Institute of International Financial Law (2001-present)

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President, Section on Financial Institutions and Consumer Financial Services, American Association of Law Schools (1999)

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Consultant, Administrative Conference of the United States (1988-89; 1991-1992)

Board of Directors and Volunteer Listener, D.C. Hotline (1980-83)

Awards

1992 Paul M. Bator Award for Excellence in Teaching, Scholarship and Public Service, from the Federalist Society for Law and Public Policy Studies

Languages

Reading knowledge of Spanish, French, and Italian.

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Children Jason (b. 1986) and Forrest (b. 1987).

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The Non-delegation Doctrine in Taxation: A Different Constitutional Calculus?, 1988-89 ABA Preview of Supreme Court Cases 261 (1989)

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- Defendants' Mediation Statement
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- Transcript of Fairness Hearing Before the Honorable Robert E. Payne, Henderson v. Verifications Incorporated, Civil Action No. 3:11cv514-REP (2013)
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- Second Declaration of Professor Neil M. Richards
- Objection of Adam Schulman to (B)(2) Class Settlement
- Objection to Proposed Rule 23(b)(2) Settlement by Megal Christina Aaron, et al.